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**Minutes**  
**Art in Public Places Commission**  
**Pip Moyer Recreation Center**  
**March 30, 2021**  
**7pm, VIRTUAL**

**A. CALL TO ORDER 7:07pm**

Commissioners present:

Genevieve Torri, Chair, Ward 1  
David Arthur, Vice Chair, Ward 6  
Karma O'Neill, Secretary, Ward 2  
Elizabeth Ramirez, Ward 3  
Cynthia Krewson, Ward 7  
Chrisa Rich, Ward 5 (phone-in)  
Barbara Torreon, Ward 4  
Joe Lucchesi, At-Large  
Comacell Brown, Jr., Ward 8  
Brian Cahalan, Mayor's Office  
Ashley Leonard, City Attorney's Office

Guests: Rhonda Pindell-Charles, Gwenann Manseau, Jeff Huntington, Alison Harbaugh, Anthony Clarke, Laura Gutierrez

**B. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Barbara Torreon, Motion to approve, David Arthur, 2nd Agenda Approved as presented

**C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Elizabeth Rami, Motion to approve, David Arthur, 2nd Minutes Approved as presented

**D. OLD BUSINESS**

1. Poet Laureate -Barbara Torreon and Gwenann Manseau presented 4 candidates to move forward to Mayor's office: Margaret Benshaw, Brittany Fonte, Natalie Lobe, Wilnona Marie  
Barbara Torreon, Motion to approve candidates, David Arthur 2nd-Motion Passes
2. Gallery Updates: Elizabeth Ramirez announced exhibit in Pip Moyer through the end of April.  
City Hall should be open in July and Stanton Center also will become a City sponsored Gallery
3. Mural Projects-Women's Suffrage and Equal Justice Murals are in the process of completion
4. Grants Updates - Joe Lucchesi reported about a collaboration between AiPPC and Stanton Center to write a grant request for the Bloomberg Foundation-Asphalt Mural Project. Also met with Julien Jacques to discuss scholarships for a summer internship program for local youth to learn video production
5. Public Outreach Updates - Public Outreach Subcommittee
  - Arts Week, organizers launching website this week, city-wide events including scavenger hunt, painting projects, book readings
  - Maryland Hall, Arts Alive planning an event and wants to include all parts of the art community

for a fundraising event

-SOFO-Main and Market and other nearby retailers looking to host some type of event in 2021

-Dining Under the Stars to begin in mid April

6. Structure Review Updates-fixing Old 4th Ward sign-see new business
7. Budget-see attached

#### **E. NEW BUSINESS**

1. Mural-Taxi Cab mural-Jeff Huntington presented idea for mural at 308 Chinquapin asking for \$17,400  
David Arthur, motion to grant \$5000, Karma, 2nd, Motion Fails  
Chrisa Rich, motion to grant \$3500, Comacell, 2nd, Motion Passes
2. Umbrella Sky installation-Anthony Clarke presented plans for Umbrella Project on Maryland Avenue. Still needs to pass Historic Preservation Commission. AIPPC will vote for approval after it moves through HPC
3. Laura Gutierrez presented the idea to create a mural out of children's poems to honor April-Poetry Month and Diversity Month. Suggested a poetry contest through AACPS. She has procured latino artists and poets for this community project. More information to come.
4. Public Sculpture Camp - ArtFarm. Alison Harbaugh presented a camp they are offering on creating large scale sculpture. Requests permission to display sculpture on Main Street, in the median. will make formal monetary request in April
5. Annapolis Juneteenth Event – Music June 19. Organizer requests funding of \$4200 for local artists. Chrisa Rich, Motion to approve \$4200, Genevieve, 2nd Motion Fails 3 to 5  
Comacell Brown, motion to grant \$1000, Cynthia Krewson, 2nd. Motion Fails 2 to 6  
Chrisa Rich, Motion to approve \$3000, David Arthur, 2nd. Motion Passes 7 to 1
6. SignCraft Invoice for Repair of Old Fourth Ward Display  
To replace the missing R, Genevieve Torri presented invoice of \$160  
Karma O'Neill, Motion to accept the invoice, Comacell Brown, 2nd. Motion Passes
7. Poet Laureate Compensation  
Barbara Torreon requested the Poet Laureate compensation be increased from \$500 per year to \$1000 per year.  
Barbara Torreon, motion to increase Poet Laureate compensation to \$1000 per year, Chrisa Rich, 2nd. Motion Passes
8. Chambers Park Concerts- Presenting invoice for approval by AiPPC once invoice has been submitted to Commission
9. Fourth Of July Events-Come Back Annapolis Launch, planning events throughout the city, activities in each Ward. Asking for support from AiPPC. Each Ward to organize an activity for residents during the weekend. Events will begin Friday July 2nd through Sunday July 4th. More details coming.

#### **F. ADJOURNMENT** David Arthur, Motion to adjourn, Karma O'Neill, 2nd

**The next meeting is Tuesday, April 27, 2021 at 7:00PM**

**MINUTES APPROVED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE: April 27th, 2021**